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TOWN AND COUNTY.

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State News.

Mr. A. J. Brown, of Rochester, is making

arrangements to put on a chess factory in

this vicinity, to be in operation the coming

summer.

Last week Tuesday Mr. John Bull while

cutting cordwood at the farm of Edward

Fletcher accidentally struck his right foot and

cut it off—Mankato Union.

On the same day a son of A. T. Noble of

this city, while chopping wood at his

house, cut off the great toe on his right foot

and the next to it part way off—Id.

The Hudson County Journal records an ex-

perience of hard times in the fact that one of

THE FREE HOMESTEAD.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1870.

News Items.

Victoria has sixteen grandchildren. Rents are rapidly falling in Boston. Roush exhibits in aquatics at Turin. The Pope was once a missionary in Peru. San Francisco mechanics are coming back for want of employment.

The wife's inability to make good bread is ground for a divorce among Arabs. A French inventor has taken out a patent for "stockings with garters attached."

In Europe, women can now receive the degree of M. D., in France, Russia, Switzerland, Sweden and Scotland.

Prince Arthur tumbled down the grand staircase of the Breckinridge House, in New York, on Friday evening, but suffered no injury.

Legislative.

On Monday Mr. Shanks presented a petition from the citizens of Fairbairn county, praying for an additional term of District Court, and introduced a bill authorizing the commissioners of Jackson county to issue bonds for Court House and Jail. The bill passed the House under a suspension of the rules.

Voting Bonds.

You are poor, and with difficulty pay your present taxes, and are unwilling to vote aid to Railroad companies, because it will increase your financial burdens? Remember that with a Railroad, in the language of a Boston paper, "productive power and the consequent wealth of the town double in a year, because its farm products and wages can be carried to market, and by the time the principal of the bonds sold shall become due, the town alone can pay additional taxes far more than sufficient to pay it from the accumulation of property and increase of product resulting from the construction of that railroad. There is no productive force equal to that of a railroad."

The Winnebago Homestead has the views expressed in the *Post* some time since, on the subject of voting bonds to the Mankato & F. Dodge Railroad and counts out strongly in favor of the proposition. *Blue Earth City Post*.

Had the *Post*, through its maiden modesty, been sooner "pleased to notice," it would have discovered that the Homestead "adopted the views expressed in the *Post*," on the subject of voting bonds to the Mankato & F. Dodge Railroad, long before the *Post* had an existence, and that it is only a short time since Blue Earth City strenuously endeavoring to refute the very arguments which are now urging through the columns of her newspapers. But it is cheering to know that our present country seat is a convert on prolation, to the doctrine of borrowing. Railroads and we currently think that state will never again be guilty of trying to impoverish the farmers for the sake of her own aggrandizement, either through the influence of point law, or false representation regarding the benefits to be derived from assisting Railroad companies.

Protection Against Superstition.

The idea of the protectionists seem to be that this country does not produce the best of all kinds of products, the people must be content with what they have. But the fact is that such a half-barbaric, unenlightened idea should find American advocates in the nineteenth century. The heroism of the subject of imported cattle from which to propagate improved stock in this country is certainly understood by every intelligent man, and the heavy duty which amounts to almost prohibition is put by Congress upon such importation. A gentleman has been seen in the city of over \$200 in gold. Very few of our stock raisers are willing to sell at such a price, which adds over ten per cent to the legitimate cost of imported stock.

Now, what interest is benefited by such a tax on imported animals? It will probably be said that the stock-raisers themselves are benefited because they are protected from foreign competition. Such an argument is plausible, but very shallow; for it is a well established fact that the standard of our American cattle and sheep cannot be maintained without the frequent introduction of foreign blood. Without it, our stock rapidly degenerates and is liable to become diseased. Therefore, it is easily seen that a protective or prohibitory duty on imported cattle is really and directly an injury to the stock-raiser, to the farmer and to the whole country. However "protection" is to cattle breeding, then when applied to a thousand other branches of industry in which all the people have more or less interest—*Midwestern (Conn.) Sentinel*.

Retrospect.

A few years since we had quite a contest in this country, resulting in the election of Hon. J. D. McKelvie to the Senate. The main objects to be accomplished were forwarding the S. M. R. R., and relieving distressed men. The result was the point law which delayed the railroad one year at Rushford, one year more at Lancaster, and one year at Austin. Were it not for the legislation perpetrated upon the people of this section of country, we would before this have had the cars daily running to and from this town, and much to the relief of our whole community, and some time when the farmer is still going to and returning from market, we would like to have him figure out, who is benefited. Our swamp lands were legislated away to build a railroad along the Mississippi river, purposely to damage and injure the S. M. R. R., and as payment for assistance in the passage of the point law, and only for the bungling manner in which the law was got up, could we have derived any benefit therefrom. The points have all been removed so far except Albert Lea, and the legislature for three terms, to annul the mischief enacted by the list by a law introduced by Col. Smith, of Mankato, and guided in its way through by our Senator and Representative now in St. Paul, Messrs. Lattimer and Shanks, has been the greatest stumbling block. The Homestead men received their pay in the enactment of a law creating their real estate personal property, and rendering them liable to a distress levy if they were fractions. Those who were duped into the election of such a man for such a purpose have been handsomely remunerated if they were fractions. Those who were duped into the election of such a man for such a purpose have been handsomely remunerated if they were fractions.

The object of the gentleman in question, came to the surface last winter in the shape of a Land Office with a few salary and large perquisites. The recipient of such favors could not stand the righteous indignation of his constituents, and live among them—prevailed upon Wilkinson and the persons at Washington, to let him emigrate to the west, and the frontier, hoping that in due time all will be forgotten, when there will be opportunity for him to come to the surface again. It may be well to mark such gentlemen, so that they shall not be punished for a second offense.

Pen Photographs of two Lady Wall Street Operators.

The personal appearance of the two lady operators, who are now causing a sensation in Wall street this week, is as follows: Mrs. C. Duffin, though married eight years, is a young lady of some twenty-four years. Her features are full, and a continuous smile plays upon her countenance. She is, to all appearance, the photograph of a business woman—keen, shrewd, whole-souled, and apparently a firm foe of the "girl of the period" creation, whom she describes as a sickly, squeaming neurotic. She is generally very plainly dressed, and speaks business in every gesture. Mrs. Victoria C. Woodhull is the sister. She is some five years older than Mrs. C., and has a keen, bright eye. She is evidently of a sanguine, nervous temperament, and it might be supposed that a serious financial shock would not tell well on her constitution. She states that since she has been in business in New York—some two or three years—although her operations were conducted solely through agents in the street, they have made about \$700,000.

Did Any Get Away?

The Indianapolis *Sentinel* tells a rich joke on a conductor who resides in that city. His absence his wife presented him with a fine boy. Some of his wife's friends, who are of a "ragged" turn of mind, suggested that they borrow two other babies in the neighborhood and present three youngsters to the happy father on his return. This was carried out, and upon the arrival of the train in the evening, the young husband, who had heard that all was well, hurried home. After fondly kissing his wife, he asked to see the little stranger. Imagine his surprise on beholding three babies when the covers were turned down. After gazing at them in profound astonishment for several minutes, he turned to his wife and coolly asked: "Did any get away?"

A poor key—why key.

"Last Sonnet"—A light shoe. Light employment—cleaning windows. The greatest want of the age is—funds. A sour-faced wife helps the liquor trade. Will sticking a stoppage in a hole stop the hole? Truth whispered is more effective than non-sense thundered. Childhood is a rosy lawn between the cradle and the grave. Proud men hate crowds, unless they come to do them honor. Silence, when nothing need be said, is the eloquence of discretion. Why are good husbands like dough? Because women need them. The trees unlike the rest of folk, *understand* when cold weather comes. The way to make a tall man short is to ask him to lend you ten cents. For what part are young men bound during courtship? Bound to have. The woman who neglects the buttons on her husband's shirt front is not the wife of his bosom. "My notions of life," says Southey, "are much the same as those about traveling; there is a great deal of amusement on the road; but, after all, one wants to be at rest."

Calvary—Calvary is a little hill to the eye, but it is the only spot on earth that touches heaven. The Cross is foolishness to human eyes, and a stumbling block to human rightness; but, after all, one wants to be at rest."

Man dies, but nature is eternal. The seasons keep their appointed time; day returns with its golden splendor, and night with its dusky mystery. The same stars which lit the ghastly battlefield of Troy, rough with the dead bodies of ancient heroes; which shone on the smoldering ruins of imperial Rome, and on the sad eyes of Virgil, sleepless in the living glow of inspiration—the watch fires of the angels, which of old, through centuries of devastation and change have still burned on unceasingly—speak to us as they did to Dante, and Shakespeare, and the immortal glory of the omnipotence, the everlasting beauty and love of God!

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Blue Earth City, Minn.

July, 1889.

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lot 10 b 15 and lot 10 b 16 and lot 10 b 17

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10 b 18 and lot 1 and 2 b 19 22 in Blue

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The Fifteenth Amendment. The end has come. The long struggle over the negro question is over. The vote of the Georgia Legislature, announced in our issue of yesterday, was the finishing stroke. For more than a generation the "nigger" has been in the political fence. A million men took the field in a war that formed a chapter in the struggle which has now passed from the domain of current events to the domain of history. Twenty-eight States have now ratified the Amendment.

SECTION 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude. SECTION 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation. The people have thus decided, beyond the possibility of revocation, to eliminate the black man from politics by engrafting him into the body politic. This final measure was initiated twelve months ago. A Committee of Congress agreed upon its exact terms on the 20th of February, 1869. The Senate agreed to it by a vote of 33 to 15, a strictly party vote, unless we count Fowler and Ives as Republicans. It was then passed by the House by a vote of 119 to 72. The House then passed it by a vote of 119 to 72. The House then passed it by a vote of 119 to 72.

The subject engrossed a large share of attention during the session of the Fortieth Congress. The very first step was taken on the 30th of January. There were a great many plans proposed. The main difficulty was to so phrase the article as to enfranchise the negro, but not necessarily the Chinese, or the Indians. Mr. Corbett wanted to get at the thing in the Chinese not born in the United States, and Indians not taxed, shall not be deemed or made citizens, but the Senate voted it down. The House then passed it by a vote of 119 to 72. The House then passed it by a vote of 119 to 72.

Mr. Sumner proposed an article with five long sections. Its very length was an insuperable objection. It set forth in explicit terms "that the right to vote, to be held, to own, to hold office shall not be denied or abridged by any State on account of race or color." The debate that ensued showed that in the opinion of the Senate the right to hold office inhered in the right to vote, and there was no need of specific enactment on the point. In the House the original amendment was rejected, and a new one was proposed. It set forth in explicit terms "that the right to vote, to be held, to own, to hold office shall not be denied or abridged by any State on account of race or color." The debate that ensued showed that in the opinion of the Senate the right to hold office inhered in the right to vote, and there was no need of specific enactment on the point.

We have now revived the essential features of the proceedings of Congress upon this culminating subject. It is a subject that should not be misinterpreted. They show the trend and exact intent of the article. —Chicago Tribune, Feb. 4.

THE keynotes in the grand arch of reconstruction is now firmly and symmetrically in place—irrevocably in place for the revolution in favor of the black man's manhood and to the enlargement of his political status, is not likely to prove an exception to the general rule of things never going backward. Henceforth, the colored citizens of the United States, in every nook and corner of the Union, will stand upon the same surface platform occupied by those who are of the Caucasian race. It is urged, however, in objection, that the Fifteenth Amendment will be practically set aside by the meaning and intent of the new amendment, by, for example, requiring of electors a certain qualification, while so marking the grade of legislation as to bear heavily against the acquisition of electors by the colored man on the part of the proscribed race; or that intelligence or some other test may be set up as a measure of qualification to vote. We do not think much can be accomplished in such directions, to abate the right conferred by the suffrage amendment.

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For twenty years the peculiar condition of the negro race has been the absorbing topic of our nation's politics, and the great cause why the American people should rejoice at the final adoption of this amendment is that the negro has been recognized as a citizen of the United States, and as such entitled to the same rights and privileges as the white man.

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USEFUL RECIPES, ETC. An old Boston doctor says: "A house whose entrance is open to the wind is a house that will live in it. Keep the children out of it." A cook who says that it is wished to cook before using should be set in the pure fresh air. It will preserve their flavor unimpaired; otherwise not. A correspondent of the Cincinnati Gazette says the best food to follow a long rapidly made as follows: Two parts barley, two parts corn, one part oats; gruel, and then feed cold. A correspondent of the Rural N. Y. Yorker says that he can make 50 pounds more butter from a cow during the season by churning all the milk than by churning the cream alone. "Rural," writes to the Chicago Tribune that the practice of placing manure in small heaps in the field, to be spread in the spring, is a bad one. He thinks it much better to spread it at the time of carting it out. LEARN to insure your principles against the influence of fashion. You can no more exercise your reason if you live in the constant dread of laughter, than you can enjoy your life if you live in the constant terror of death. Work the butter-milk out of your butter, but work it mildly, so as not to break grain, and then churn it. If you are using you will pack away your butter in clean vessels, scouring and cleansing throughout in making, and wash the butter with a simple thing, but it must be done.

THE American Farm Book mentions a meeting of the Deerfield (N. H.) Farmer's Club, Mr. David Garrison said that the bearing year of a fruit tree may be changed by the blossoming of the tree. The bearing year of a tree depends much on the year it was grafted. He had a Porter apple tree which bore fruit on one half of the tree one year, and on the other half the next year. Root rotting would around the body of trees, tied with a string at the top and bottom, is a sure protection against mice. If too much heat is feared from the color, it can be changed by a white wash brush on a thousand times in one day. Cut the falling in strips long enough to protect the trees where the snow drifts, and wide enough to reach the top of the trees, and the space between it and the ground, and you have a jacket that no mouse or insect will go through. —Exchange.

USEFUL MARRIAGE.—Being wedded to one's business. Why is a balloon like silence? Because it gives account. A young lady's boarding-school. Why is a woman like a music-box? She is full of airs. What is the first thing a lady does when she falls into the water? She gets wet. ALWAYS look at the bright side of everything: It is just as cheap and ten times as good. The payments in the Washington are never greater than they are the first year. LIBERTY GEN. SHERIDAN was made the subject of a parody on Thursday. INHABITABLE SCHOOLMASTER.—"Now, then, stipulate, what's the next word? What is the next word?" "Dullness." —A case, sir.

UP among the Adirondacks, if the natives happen upon a visitor who dresses in a "Wash," it is the matter with your hands. MISERABLE COUNTRY.—A young lady of the name of "Wash" is the matter with your hands. MISERABLE COUNTRY.—A young lady of the name of "Wash" is the matter with your hands. MISERABLE COUNTRY.—A young lady of the name of "Wash" is the matter with your hands.

THE man who jollied looked out of the window and exclaimed, "This is a 'grave country'!" is now generally admitted to have spoken within bounds. "Eight clergymen assisted in the marriage ceremony of a Fond du Lac lady last week. She was going to be married to a young man named 'Wash' is the matter with your hands. MISERABLE COUNTRY.—A young lady of the name of "Wash" is the matter with your hands.

AT a prayer-meeting in Augusta, Me., some irreverent urchins woke up the sexton, who had fallen asleep, when the star-traveler, supposing it was a new morning, exclaimed, "Maria! Maria! get up! time to get breakfast!" Host: Allow me to get you a partner. Let me introduce you to my partner. Let me introduce you to my partner. Let me introduce you to my partner.

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